

NOT IN VAIN.

She placed some money in her hand. About her throat, and added there a little more. And looking at her, she said: "I am not in vain."

"We are close tonight," said she. "I am not in vain."

"It would have given my heart of pure joy to be in my eyes."

"Not for my sister's sake," said she. "But for the sake of those sweet days."

"There is not enough to win him, Miss. But the sweet days of love are gone."

"Oh, beautiful philosophy!" said she. "The key to riches is found."

"A holy love, sweet to me, And sweet in my life applied; You're the best gift I'll ever see."

WON HIS HEART.

How a Little Child Fulfilled Its Mission of Love.

"Dad!" said Boggs.

Boggs was a withered-up, little, old Yankee, who had made his fortune and was living in a little house on a little street in a little village in New England.

"No, father," said the daughter, "I am not dead, and we are peniless. He has succeeded, and we are becoming rich."

"To go back a matter of five years or so: The time had been when the old man had less of acerbity in his nature—when he was not so much of a recluse as he now was."

His wife was living then—his daughter, too, was at home. And Boggs thought much of the one, but more of the other. His heart was bound up in the girl, with her laughing blue eyes, golden hair and sunny face.

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soon got over that. Gradually the child crept into his old heart, until after the little one had been in the house a month he would rather have parted with his life than with Lucy's child.

"Poor child!" said the old man. "It don't realize what's befallen it. Perhaps it's just as well—just as well. I'll be the sooner for it."

One day Boggs was returning from one of his long, lonely walks.

"What's the matter?" the old man asked, greatly puzzled by her strange conduct.

"Lucy—your daughter—in there!" the housekeeper gasped. She could say no more.

Old Boggs was not at all superstitious, and he quickly made his way into the house. In the front room there sat, with the child in her arms, Lucy, but not a ghost. Far from it—very much in the flesh; there could be no doubt about that.

"You—you—I thought you were dead!" he finally managed to say.

"So I have been to you, father, for the last five years. And so I sent the child to see—"

"Yes, I understand—I understand," interrupted the old man, hastily. "Husband dead, I suppose? You a penniless widow? Want to come home to live with your old father now you have got nowhere else to go?"

"No, father," said the girl. "I am not dead, and we are peniless. He has succeeded, and we are becoming rich."

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BRAVE MOUNTAINEERS.

Butterflies That Mount on Air Wing to High Altitudes.

Bee, the common go-between of the loves of the plain, cease to range about a thousand or fifteen hundred feet below snow-level. And why? Because it's too cold for them? Oh, dear, no; on sunny days in early English spring, when the thermometer doesn't rise above freezing in the shade, you will see both the honey bees and the great black bumble as busy as their conventional character demands of them among the golden cups of the first timid crocuses. Give the bee sunshine, indeed, with a temperature just above freezing-point, and he'll flit about joyously on his communicative errand. But bees, one must remember, have heavy bodies and relatively small wings; in the rarefied air of mountain heights they can't manage to support themselves in the most literal sense. Hence their place in these high stations of the world is taken by the gay and airy butterflies, which have lighter bodies and a much bigger expanse of wing-area to buoy them up. In the valleys and plains the bee competes at an advantage with the butterflies for all the sweets of life, but in this broad subalpine belt on the mountain-sides, the butterflies in turn have things all their own way. They flit about like monarchs of all they survey, without a rival in the world to dispute their supremacy.—Popular Science Monthly.

Basilikaka.

The basilisk was the most famous of the many fabulous monsters of medieval folk-lore. According to the popular notion it was hatched by a toad from an egg laid by a cock in the common barnyard fowl. In the ancient picture-book it was usually represented as an eight-limbed serpent or dragon, sometimes with and sometimes without wings.

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